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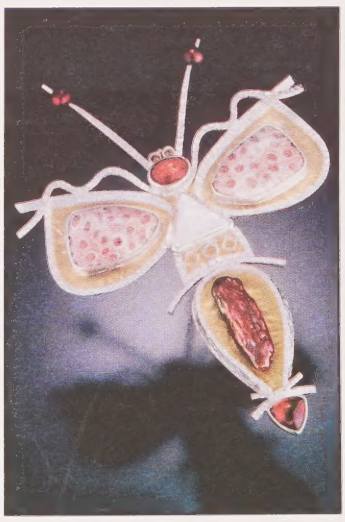
It's Gift Season — The Craftswomen Are Back

▶ HERBST PAVILION

Shoppers looking for unique substitutes for mass-produced goods can find one-of-a-kind offerings —just in time for the holidays. The Women's Building 29th Annual Celebration of Craftswomen opens for two weekends, November 24 and 25 and December 1 and 2 in the Herbst Pavilion with its usual fine crafts retail fair and the largest event exclusively featuring the work of fine craftswomen anywhere.

In fact the show, a benefit for the Women's Building, features a changing roster of more than 150 different artists each weekend. Look for personal care items, home accessories, lighting, photography, paintings, paper, books, and frames. Highlights of this year's show also include work by Shizuko Shichishima, Eileen Goldenberg, Willy Scholten, Catherine Reece, Carter Siebels, and Trish Culbert.

The Women's Building is a community center that offers services to "help women and girls achieve self-sufficiency and pursue their dreams." Programs include a free bilingual Spanish/English information and referral service, educational support for low-income adults, financial counseling, and programs that promote arts, culture, and discussion. The building, in San Francisco's Mission district, houses ten community groups.



See 11/16 Painting (LEFT) BY: CHRISTINE DECAMP, Jewelry (RIGHT) BY: JANE GARIBALDI

For the last 28 years, the craft fair has been part of a movement—led by female artists—that offers "environmentally conscious and economically sustainable choices for mainstream consumption."

For more information call (415) 731-5539 or visit www.celebrationofcraftswomen.org. — *RT*

The Pachamama Alliance

▶ FESTIVAL PAVILION

In Inca mythology, Pachamama or Mama Pacha was a dragon fertility goddess who presided over planting and harvesting. Usually translated as "Mother Earth," Pachamama, and her husband Inti, the Sun god, were viewed as generous deities.

Pachamama is still celebrated today throughout the Amazon region. However, the indigenous groups in that part of the world are concerned about the growing threats to their environment. Logging, deforestation, extinction of species, and the destruction of life-saving medicinal plants threaten their ancient way of life.

Recognizing that the roots of this threat lay far beyond their homeland, leaders of remote indigenous groups in the Amazon region of Ecuador actively sought the partnership of individuals living in the modern world yet committed to similar goals. This led to the formation of The Pachamama Alliance, a US based nonprofit organization whose mission is to preserve the earth's tropical rainforests by empowering the indigenous people who are its natural custodians.

The organization aims to contribute to the creation of a new global vision of equity and sustainability. On November 15, they host their Annual Fundraising Luncheon at Fort Mason Center.

Because the concern about irreversible damage to the balance of the Earth's climate has grown around the world, this event gives guests an opportunity to find out about the unique work of Pachamama in the rainforest and here at home. Together they can explore what actions can be taken to create an environmentally sustainable and socially just human presence.

See November 15 in the calendar for details. For more information visit www.pachamama.org. — *BG*

Designing An Alternative Energy Market

▶ HERBST PAVILION, BUILDINGS B & C, CONFERENCE CENTER, GATEHOUSE

Sustainable business is the topic of a major three-day conference called EnergyEASE 07 held November 16-18 at Fort Mason Center. EASE stands for "environmental accountability for a sustainable earth," and the "unconference" as they bill it, encourages participation and relationship building that will transform fragmented energy initiatives and segments into an economically viable, fluidly operating "new energy market."

While most of the attendees are focused on energy market exchange and oversight processes and policies of sustainable business, there are afternoon new energy market related talks that are open to the public each day. Among the speakers are Elisabet Sahtouris, an evolution biologist and futurist, FireHawk, a teacher of ancient Earth Wisdom, and Morel Fourman, CEO and founder of Gaiasoft.

An exhibition area provides visitors with a hands-on experience. Visitors move through a "colorful, happy rainbow-filled world of a healthy universe" —a kind of yellow brick road from booth to booth.

For more information, check the November 16 calendar listing and visit www.energyease2007.com. — *RT*

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Fort Mason Center's Mission

To create and preserve a cultural, educational, and recreational center that reflects the unique history, talents, and interests of people in the Bay Area, in partnership with the National Park Service.

RUMBLINGS, RAMBLINGS AT THE FORT

THAT WAS THE WEEKEND THAT WAS... On one recent weekend at Fort Mason Center, the place was hopping — the new International Art Show, the Big Book Sale (which could be renamed the GIGANTIC Book Sale), the SF Blues Festival, and a marathon. At the recent **Macy's Passport Show**, amidst all the glitter, **Carlos Santana** auctioned off a guitar for the good of the cause. He was also called upon to sign a shoe. That's fashion for you.

BACK TO THE BOOK SALE... It should also be noted that during the Big Book Sale **Friends of the San Francisco Public Library (Book Bay Bookstore)** raised a record $251,000 to support public library programs.

GIVE PEACE A CHANCE...says the Ploughshare's Fund. Vote for your favorite peace organization in their Peace Primary, chaired by **Martin Sheen**. Twelve top groups working to make peace a priority have been selected. You can help choose which one wins $100,000 to amplify its message in the 2008 election. Visit www.ploughshares.org for more information.

A SCORE AND FIVE YEARS AGO... November was a festive month at Fort Mason Center a quarter of a century ago. There was a story-telling festival, a children's fair and a holiday festival. Not only that, but the ***First Annual Fall Antiques Show*** launched that month. The **Mexican Museum** sponsored the Day of the Dead, and the **Guardsmen** Christmas Tree Sale opened. Quite a month.

ONE SCORE AND NO YEARS AGO...Magic Theatre mounted two productions in November 1987 — *Manslaughter*, by Bay Area playwright **Nicholas Crawford** and *Apocalyptic Butterflies*, by **Wendy McLeod**. **Young Performers Theatre** presented *Puzzles 'N Potpourri* with only young actors in the cast. **Sedge Thomson** and his West Coast Weekend broadcasted from **Life on the Water's** 250-seat theater in Building B. The *SS Jeremiah O'Brien*, a 441-foot World War II cargo ship, was still docked here.

THE INCREDIBLE SHRINKING FUTURE...literarily speaking. "I have been noticing a funny phenomenon recently in the work of my favorite science fiction authors. Their futures seem to be shrinking." This is the first sentence of a fascinating posting by **Long Now Foundation's** executive director, **Alexander Rose** on http://blog.longnow.org. There are many other great posts. Check it out.

WHAT IF YOU WERE A CHICKEN AND... How are your improvisation skills? Want to develop your ability to come up with witty retorts before the holiday party season? The people at the acclaimed **BATS Improv** hold classes throughout the fall and winter. Visit www.improv.org for class schedules or—if you just want an evening of fun—tickets for one of their many shows. *— STAFF*

The Tap Dance Murders & Other Performances

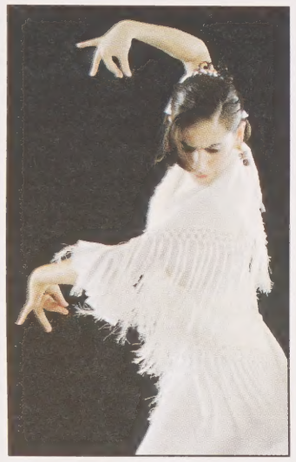
▶ COWELL THEATER

November at the Cowell Theater celebrates the Bay Area's incredible cultural diversity with such fun as Gil Chun's "Case of the Tap Dance Murders," Theatre Flamenco's 41st season, sacred mask dance from Bhutan, and the celebration of Rumi's 800th birthday.

Rumi In You Saturday, November 3

The Mystic Saints event celebrates Rumi's 800th birthday with Iranian lyrics with jazz and blues performances. The evening features all-star musicians Faramarz Asiani, Farzin Farhadi, and Rana Farhan. Rumi is one of the world's most revered mystical poets. For more information, visit www.countdownto7-seen.com

Pema Lingpa Treasure Dances see 11/6 PHOTO: CANDACE M. CHAITE



Al Compás Del Tiempo see 11/16
Carola Zertuche PHOTO: ANDY MOGG

2007 Bay Area Follies see 11/10 Gil Chun

Pema Lingpa Treasure Dances Of Bhutan Tuesday, November 6

Bhutan, located between India and Tibet, is the last Buddhist Kingdom in the Himalayas. Pema Lingpa Treasure Dances offers a rare cultural experience—the sacred dance and traditional folk dance from Bhutan, originally choreographed in the 8th century. For more information, visit www.pelingtreasuredances.com.

2007 Bay Area Follies Saturday & Sunday, November 10 & 11

The Gil Chun Dance Company brings tap, ballroom, hula, jazz, and ethnic dances to the Cowell. The centerpiece of the evening is a whodunit musical skit, "The Case of the Tap Dance Murders." Among the eclectic offerings is the Bay Area Ukulele Ensemble playing popular Hawaiian songs and medleys.

Al Compás Del Tiempo Friday-Sunday, November 16-18

Theatre Flamenco celebrates its 41st season as new artistic director Carola Zertuche takes command. Enjoy an evening of the passionate, vibrant, and colorful dance form with dancers, musicians, and guest artists, as well as Zertuch premieres. The Theatre Flamenco performances are part of the In Performance Series at the Cowell Theater, which is funded by the Grants for the Arts/San Francisco Hotel Tax Fund, Wells Fargo, and the Fort Mason Foundation.

Check the calendar for ticket and other information by finding the opening date for each event. Tickets for all performances are available at the Fort Mason Center Box Office, online at www.fortmason.org or by calling (415) 345-7575. *–RT*

Warren Miller's PLAYGROUND

▶ COWELL THEATER

Outdoor action comes indoors at the Cowell Theater this November. The world's largest action sports film, Warren Miller's *PLAYGROUND*, will hit the screen for one night on its nationwide tour.

The film showcases extreme winter sports footage from around the globe presented in crystal-clear high definition. Skiing, snowboarding, and more from Sweden to Canada, Alaska to Japan, and several locations in between are all featured. Also included is an unlikely winter sports destination, Ski Dubai, a surreal resort found directly within the Arabian Desert. Jonny Moseley, skiing icon and Olympic Gold Medalist, narrates the feature while the Beastie Boys, Maroon 5, and Queens of the Stone Age provide the soundtrack.

Warren Miller has a long history of pioneering leadership in action sports cinematography. *PLAYGROUND*, his 58th feature film, adds to the legacy. According to Max Bervy, director and producer, the *PLAYGROUND* is "a place where authority figures cease to exist, where fun and challenge are the only goals and creativity and freedom the only rules." The film follows "the leading athletes of the industry on a journey to a special place where anything is possible on the side of a snow covered mountain." Sounds like it has great potential to get winter sports enthusiasts revved up for the upcoming season.

See 11/2 PHOTO: ERIC BERGER

See November 2 in the calendar. For more information, including a trailer for the film, visit www.warrenmiller.com. *–BG*

Magic Theatre: The Crowd You're In With

▶ MAGIC THEATRE, BUILDING D

Acclaimed director Amy Glazer and Pulitzer finalist playwright Rebecca Gilman are collaborating for the fourth time in the world premiere production of *The Crowd You're In With* at the Magic Theatre.

"Lights rise on the backyard of a Chicago 'two flat' for a celebratory barbeque," said Magic's Artistic Director, Chris Smith, "and we're held in the spell of 90 minutes of contiguous action in this rich, nuanced world where three couples with very different views of partnership and family must face the future."

Among the cast members are Lorri Holt, Kevin Rolston, Makela Spielman, T. Edward Webster, and Allison Jean White.

The Magic Theatre, founded 40 years ago at the Steppenwolf Bar in Berkeley, has premiered more than 200 works. The theater was founded by John Lion to give voice to emerging and established playwrights doing new work. The roster of writers includes Sam Shepard, David Mamet, Michael McClure, and Edna O'Brien.

Glazer and Gilman worked together on three other productions—*The American in Me*, *Blue Surge*, and *The Sweetest Swing in Baseball*.

For more information check the November 10 calendar listing and visit www.magictheatre.org. *– RT*

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THURSDAY 1

See Ongoing Programs

FRIDAY 2

Sterling Silver Jewelry Sale Hi Ho Silver SF sells high-quality sterling silver pieces from Taxco, Cuernavaca & Oaxaca, Mexico. Also available are etchings by Nicolas de Jesus, hand-woven scarves & shawls from Cambodia & "potato chip" bags in a variety of colors and sizes. 11/2-12/2 Fri–Sun (no sales 11/9-11 & 11/23) 10am-4pm (11/25 Sat10am-5pm) FREE adm Bldg A & Gatehouse www.hihosilver.com (415) 771-4446

Jeep Presents Warren Miller's PLAYGROUND The "largest action sports film on the planet" kicks off the winter sports season w/extraordinary action & cinematography from Sweden, Japan, Alaska, Dubai & more. 6:30&9:30pm $18 Cowell Theater www.warrenmiller.com (415) 345-7575

● **BATS Improv** FMC's resident improv troupe kicks off the month w/"The Life Game," then continues w/musicals, thrillers, family drama & an improvised Star Trek adventure. Each Sunday, BATS' advanced students perform as the Sunday Players. 11/2-12/1 Fri&Sat 8pm Sun 7pm $20-$8 ($18-$5 adv) FMC "Friends" $1 off w/mbrs card BATS Center for Improv Theatre Bayfront Theater Bldg B www.improv.org (415) 474-8935

The Life Game 11/2&3 Fri&Sat
American Musical 11/9&10 Fri& Sat
Hitchcock Thriller 11/16&17 Fri&Sat
Family Drama 11/23&24 Fri&Sat
Warp Speed 11/30&12/1 Fri&Sat
Sunday Players 11/4-25 Sun

SATURDAY 3

Alcoholics Anonymous Weekly meetings for recovering sober alcoholics. Ongoing Sat 9:30-10:30am FREE adm Bldg C (415) 674-1821

Active Living Expo More than 50 exhibitors feature free samples, interactive displays, offers for sports apparel & more at this expo held in conjunction w/the US Half Marathon (run on 11/4). 10am-4pm FREE adm Herbst Pavilion www.usracseries.com (702) 549-9999

Exploring The Spiritual Life Weekly discussion group explores the dynamics of the spiritual journey. Experience encouragement in response to life's everyday challenges & explore how God fits into life's journey. Ongoing Sat 11am FREE adm Bldg C www.secondwindsf.org (415) 748-0015

● **The Witches** From master storyteller Roald Dahl comes this tale of a boy & his grandmamma who journey from Norway to England for the annual meeting of witches. 10/27-11/18 Sat 1pm Sun 1&3:30pm $9-$6 FMC "Friends" $1 off w/mbrs card Young Performers Theatre Bldg C www.ypt.org (415) 346-5550

Rumi In You A celebration in honor of the mystic saint's 800th birthday. Iranian lyrics w/a jazz/blues beat. 6:30pm (welcoming reception & art exhibit) 8:30pm (performance) $75-$55 Cowell Theater countdownto7-seen.com (415) 345-7575

Sterling Silver Jewelry Sale see 11/2

● **BATS Improv** see 11/2

SUNDAY 4

Food Addicts In Recovery Anonymous A fellowship of men & women in a 12-step program for recovery from addictive eating, bulimia & anorexia. Ongoing Sun 8-9:30am FREE adm Bldg C www.foodaddicts.org (415) 248-9347

Haute Home Warehouse Sale The Sacramento St. shop comes to FMC for a one-day sale of custom-designed luxury linens at 50–70% off the original prices. Sheets, bed skirts, duvet covers, pillowcases & shams, placemats, tablecloths & napkins & many, many more items are available. Noon-5pm FREE adm Bldg D (415) 674-0560

Sterling Silver Jewelry Sale see 11/2

● **BATS Improv** see 11/2

● **The Witches** see 11/3

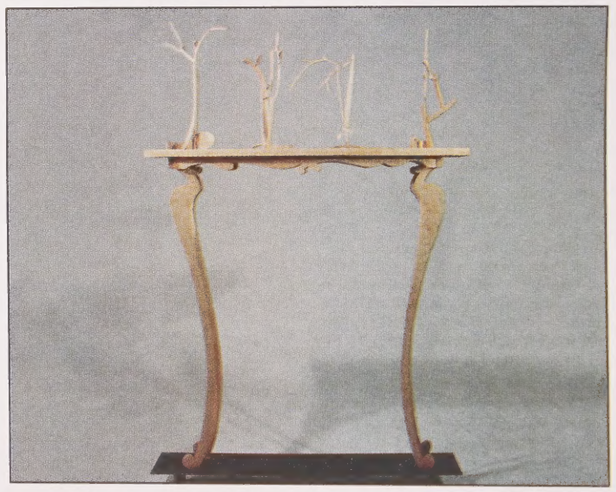
MONDAY 5

See Ongoing Programs

TUESDAY 6

Pema Lingpa Treasure Dances The finest of sacred mask dance & traditional folk dance from Bhutan. Originally choreographed in the 8th century, this is a rare & extraordinarily rich cultural experience. 7:30pm Cowell Theater $25-$10 pelingtreasuredances.com (415) 345-7575

The Crowd You're In With Playwright Rebecca Gilman see 11/10



SFMOMA Artists Gallery "Maple Tree Figure 1" see 11/7 ARTIST: CARL DERN

WEDNESDAY 7

Artists' Reception "California Sculpture" w/work by Carl Dern, Danielle Giudici Wallis, Ann Weber, Jaap Bongers, Lauren DiCioccio & Nancy Youdelman. 5:30-7:30pm FREE adm SFMOMA Artists Gallery Bldg A www.sfmoma.org/museumstore/artists_overview.html (415) 441-4777

THURSDAY 8

See Ongoing Programs

FRIDAY 9

Long Now Foundation Rosabeth Moss Kanter speaks on "Enduring Principles for Changing Times." 7pm (coffee) 7:30pm (lecture) FREE adm ($10 donation rec) Cowell Theater www.longnow.org (415) 561-6582

● **BATS Improv** see 11/2

SATURDAY 10

● **Bay Area Designer Art To Wear Sale** Local artists show scarves, jackets, dresses, hats, jewelry, accessories & handcrafted perfumes at this annual one-day-only event. A benefit for the Museum of Craft & Folk Art. 10am-4pm $10 FMC "Friends" FREE adm Bldg A www.mocfa.org (415) 435-4887

Serendipity Fine Arts & Crafts Show Find one-of-a-kind gifts and meet the artists at this show featuring jewelry, paintings, sculpture, ceramics, photography, glass, leather & more. 11/10&11 Sat&Sun 10am-6pm FREE adm Festival Pavilion www.serendipityshow.com (415) 497-1864

Texuba Unique, original kimono, textiles, and obi are available at this sale featuring thousands of items. 11/10&11 Sat 10am-5pm Sun 10am-4pm FREE adm Bldg D www.texuba.com (310) 827-8535

● **2007 Bay Area Follies** An eclectic program including tap, ballroom, hula, jazz & ethnic dances accompanied by skits, songs & ukulele music. 11/10&11 Sat 7pm Sun 2pm $15-$12 FMC "Friends" $12 Cowell Theater (415) 345-7575

● **The Crowd You're In With** Magic Theatre's 2007-2008 Season of New Plays continues w/this world premiere of Rebecca Gilman's look at modern families & friendships. Amy Glazer directs. 11/10-12/9 Previews 11/10-16 Sat-Fri 8pm $25 Run of the play 11/17-12/9 (no show 11/22) Wed-Sat 8pm Sun 2:30&7pm $45-$40 (Opening $75) Sliding Scale Wed FMC "Friends" $1 off w/mbrs card Magic Theatre Bldg D www.magictheatre.org (415) 441-8822

● **BATS Improv** see 11/2

Alcoholics Anonymous see 11/3

Exploring The Spiritual Life see 11/3

● **The Witches** see 11/3

SUNDAY 11

Fall Open House The SF Children's Art Center opens its doors for an afternoon of art activities & creative fun for children ages two to 12. Enjoy refreshments while viewing an exhibit of children's art. 1-4pm FREE adm Bldg C www.childrensartcenter.org (415) 771-0292

Saga North Second social meeting for this ski/snowboard club for the LGBT community. Raffle, food, beverages available. 6-8pm FREE adm Bldg C www.saganorth.com (415) 586-8248

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● **The Witches** see 11/3

Food Addicts In Recovery see 11/4

Serendipity Arts & Crafts Show see 11/10

Texuba see 11/10

● **Bay Area Follies** see 11/10

● **The Crowd You're In With** see 11/10

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TUESDAY 13

Songscreening A music industry guest screens original songs for possible use in television or film, placement w/a recording artist, or for an artist development deal. 7-10pm $5 plus $75 annual fee Bldg C www.westcoastsongwriters.org (800) FOR-SONG

WEDNESDAY 14

Museo Lecture Professor Mario Fusco presents an illustrated lecture on "Il Presepe," the Nativity scenes of Italy. Presented in conjunction w/the Museo's current exhibit "Presepi of Val Gardena." 7:30pm FREE adm res req Museo ItaloAmericano Bldg C www.museoitaloamericano.org (415) 673-2200

● **The Crowd You're In With** see 11/10

THURSDAY 15

Pachamama Alliance Luncheon Annual fundraising event for this organization dedicated to preserving the world's rainforests & creating a new global vision of equity & sustainability for all. Learn about the unique work of Pachamama both in the rainforest & here at home & what you can do to bring forth an environmentally sustainable, spiritually fulfilling & socially just human presence on this planet. Noon-1:30pm FREE adm (donation requested) Festival Pavilion www.pachamama.org (415) 561-4522 x110

GGMG Holiday Boutique The Golden Gate Mothers Group (GGMG) presents its annual sale of jewelry, stationery, gourmet treats & everything baby & toddler. 5-8:30pm FREE adm Bldg A www.ggmg.org (415) 776-5737

● **The Crowd You're In With** see 11/10

FRIDAY 16

Energy Ease 2007 An "unconference" where energy market constituencies gather to collaborate & plan the new alternative energy market. Visit exhibits & hear key speakers in a roundtable format. 11/16-18 Fri-Sun 1-4pm $15/day $25/3 days Herbst Pavilion www.energyease2007.com (510) 524-3434

Al Compás Del Tiempo Under the leadership of new artistic director Carola Zertuche, Theatre Flamenco celebrates its 41st season with an evening of passionate, colorful & vibrant flamenco dance & music. For audiences of all ages. An "In Performance Series" recipient. 11/16-18 Fri&Sat 8pm Sun 2pm $30-$26 Cowell Theater www.theatreflamenco.org (415) 345-7575

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● **BATS Improv** see 11/2

● **The Crowd You're In With** see 11/10

SATURDAY 17

Fabulous Fashionista Designer Sale Enjoy savings at 50–70% off at this huge designer sample sale. 10am-5pm FREE adm Bldg D (213) 327-0531

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basic energy healing with Psychic Horizons. 1-3pm FREE Gatehouse www.psychichorizons.com (415) 643-8800

Lama Ole Nydahl lectures on the life of his teacher H.H. the 16th Gyalwa Karmapa & on the student-teacher bond central to Diamond Way Buddhism. 8pm $25 Herbst International Exhibition Hall (Moraga & Montgomery Sts in the Presidio) www.diamondway.org/sf (415) 661-6030

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THURSDAY 22

Thanksgiving Day Fort Mason Foundation office is closed.

FRIDAY 23

● **BATS Improv** see 11/2

● **The Crowd You're In With** see 11/10

SATURDAY 24

Celebration Of Craftswomen The 29th annual presentation of the nation's largest women's craft fair. Featured are functional & decorative items in ceramics, glass, wood & fabric as well as fine art sculpture, photography & paintings. 11/24&25 12/1&2 Sat&Sun 10am-5pm $8.50-$6.50 $15/2 days (ages 12 & under FREE) Herbst Pavilion www.celebrationofcraftswomen.org (415) 731-5539

Christmas In SF Crystal Fair Find the perfect gift at this holiday fair. Get a massage, have your aura read & select from 40 vendors of crystals, minerals, beads, jewelry & metaphysical healing tools. 11/24&25 Sat 10am-6pm Sun 10am-4pm $5 (under 12 FREE w/adult) Bldg A www.crystalfair.com (415) 383-7837

SF Bay Area Postcard Club Monthly meeting of postcard enthusiasts w/old & new postcards for sale or trade. Noon-3pm FREE adm Bldg C (415) 826-8337

Sterling Silver Jewelry Sale see 11/2

● **BATS Improv** see 11/2

Alcoholics Anonymous see 11/3

Exploring The Spiritual Life see 11/3

● **The Crowd You're In With** see 11/10

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● **BATS Improv** see 11/2

Food Addicts In Recovery see 11/4

● **The Crowd You're In With** see 11/10

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TUESDAY 27

Guardsmen Christmas Tree Lot The annual sale of Christmas trees, ornaments & wreaths by this SF service organization in support of Bay Area programs for at-risk youth. For sale are trees of all sizes & shapes. Activities for kids & tree delivery services are also available. 11/27-12/16 Daily 9am-9pm FREE adm Festival Pavilion www.guardsmen.org (415) 771-7747

WEDNESDAY 28

● **The Crowd You're In With** see 11/10

Guardsmen Christmas Trees see 11/27

THURSDAY 29

SF Astrological Society "Stars, Myths & Dragons" w/Don Cerow. 7:30-9:30pm $10 Bldg C www.sfastrologicalsociety.com (415) 566-8174

● **The Crowd You're In With** see 11/10

Guardsmen Christmas Trees see 11/27

FRIDAY 30

CCSF Art Campus Art Exhibit & Sale The 33rd annual holiday sale by students at City College of SF's Fort Mason Art Campus. For sale are ceramics, jewelry, sculpture, paintings, drawings, photographs, prints, weavings, textiles & more. 11/30-12/2 Fri 6-9pm (preview reception) Sat&Sun 10am-5pm FREE adm Bldg B www.ccsf.edu (415) 561-1840

Sterling Silver Jewelry Sale see 11/2

● **BATS Improv** see 11/2

● **The Crowd You're In With** see 11/10

Guardsmen Christmas Trees see 11/27

Celebration Of Craftswomen
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ONGOING PROGRAMS

Book Bay Bookstore

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City College Of San Francisco Fort Mason Art Campus

Offices open Mon-Thur 8:30am-10pm Fri 8:30am-4pm, Sat 8:30am-3pm (closed 11/12 Mon, 11/22-25 Thur-Sun) Bldg B www.ccsf.edu (415) 561-1840

Classes See Classes & Workshops

Coffee Gallery Works of art in an informal setting at CCSF's Fort Mason Art Campus. Mon-Thur 8am-11pm, Fri-Sun 8am-Midnight FREE 1st Fl Lobby (415) 561-1843

33rd Annual Student Art Exhibit & Sale see 11/30

Long Now Foundation

The Long Now Foundation promotes & supports long-term thinking through exhibits, lectures & other materials available in its store. Tue-Fri 11am-7pm Sat&Sun 11am-6pm FREE adm Bldg A www.longnow.org (415) 561-6582

Enduring Principles For Ancient Times Lecture by Rosabeth Moss Kanter see 11/9

Museo ItaloAmericano

Gallery & gift shop Wed-Sun Noon-4pm FREE adm Bldg C www.museoitaloamericano.org (415) 673-2200

Presepi of Val Gardena An exhibition of hand-carved Nativity scenes from Val Gardena, Italy. 10/30-12/26

Il Presepe Lecture by Mario Fusco see 11/14

Italian Language Classes See Classes & Workshops

SF Maritime National Historical Park (J. Porter Shaw Library)

Premier collection of maritime history, books, magazines, photographs, oral histories & ships' plans. Mon-Fri 1-4pm (by appt. only) FREE adm Bldg E www.nps.gov/safr/historyculture/researchcontact.htm (415) 561-7030

SF Museum Of Modern Art Artists Gallery

Tue-Sat 11:30am-5:30pm FREE adm www.sfmoma.org/museumstore/artists_overview.html (415) 441-4777

California Sculpture Art by Carl Dern, Danielle Giudici Wallis, Ann Weber, Jaap Bongers, Lauren DiCioccio & Nancy Youdelman. 11/7-12/21

Artists' Reception 11/7 Wed 5:30-7:30pm FREE adm

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

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VISIT FORT MASON ONLINE

www.fortmason.org For the latest information on events, classes and workshops, visit Fort Mason Center's web site. You'll have access to:

- Latest Event listings
- Links To FMC Residents' Web Sites
- Monthly E-Newsletter

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

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CHILDREN'S CLASSES

● **Acting For The Camera For Kids & Teens** Geared toward the real demands of acting for the film & television industry including interviewing, auditioning & the unique fundamentals that distinguish it from theatrical performance. Ongoing Wed 6:30-8:30 $175/4 classes FMC "Friends" $25 off w/mbrs card Bldg C www.actingprofessionally.com (415) 449-6922

Blue Bear School Of Music see Performing Arts classes

Chinese Dance Academy Lily Cai Chinese Dance Company melds ancient Chinese forms w/modern dance & offers classes for all ages. Bldg C www.ccpsf.org (415) 474-4829

Golden Gate Music Together 45-minute classes include songs, rhythmic rhymes, movement & instrument play. These activities are presented as informal, non-performance-oriented musical experiences–developmentally appropriate for children & easy for parents and caregivers–regardless of their own musical ability. 12/wk classes: Mon&Tue 9:30am, 10:30am, 11:30am, Wed 10:30am, 11:30am, 3:30pm & 4:30pm $248 (discounts for siblings) Gatehouse www.goldengatemusictogether.com (415) 259-0688

Jing Mo Athletic Assn see Martial Arts classes

● **Language At Play: Spanish, Chinese & French** Classes for children ages 1-5. Lessons feature music, drama, games & art for learning language through play. Fall II: 10/22-12/22 Mon-Sat 60 or 75 min, mornings some afternoons $195-$350. FMC "Friends" 5% off w/mbrs card Gatehouse & Bldg C www.languageatplay.com (650) 799-1066

One Smart Kid Hands-on, individually tailored lessons to help students achieve academic mastery & become successful, confident & motivated learners. 10/11-11/8 Thur&Sat 4-6pm Bldg C www.onesmartkid.com (415) 285-6507

SF Children's Art Center Bldg C www.childrensartcenter.org (415) 771-0292

Fall Classes focus on a process-oriented art experience for children ages 27 mos to 10 yrs. 9/10-12/22 Mon-Sat times vary $100-$200.

Fifth Annual Open House See 11/11

Art Birthday Parties include use of studio, art supplies & activities led by SFCAC teachers. 11am or 2pm Sun, cost varies

Young Performers Theatre Bldg C www.ypt.org (415) 346-5550

Birthday Parties By arrangement

Classes For 3 yrs & up. Mon-Fri afterschool & Sat mornings $170-$200

The Witches see 11/3

EDUCATION

Bruce Cass Wine Lab Offers fun, informational & entertaining wine education. Bldg C www.brucecasswinelab.com (415) 839-5313

The Essentials Of Great Wine Designed to help wine enthusiasts broaden their wine knowledge w/expert instruction & tastings. 4 wk session 11/1-29 Thu 7-9:30pm $329

CCSF Continuing Education Offers not-for-credit continuing education courses in many subjects. Visit web site for course list & schedule. Office hours: Mon-Thur 8:30am-10pm, Fri 8:30am-4pm, Sat 8:30am-3pm Bldg B (Closed 11/12 Mon 11/22-25 Thur-Sun) www.ccsf.edu/Continued (415) 561-1860

Cold Calling Workshop Workshops w/Tony Wilkins on promoting your business & increasing your profits. 11/28 Wed $95 10am-Noon ($75 adv) Bldg C (415) 267-4872

Evidence Management Boot Camp Intensive program teaches how to identify, gather, analyze & preserve critical case evidence & use it at trial. 11/9&10 Fri 1-6pm Sat 8am-4pm Firehouse www.lexandthecity.net (805) 584-0597

How To Create A Bully-Free School Workshop addresses phased approaches to creating changes in school culture. 11/2 Fri 9am-Noon $75 Gatehouse www.nobully.com (415) 820-3956

Improv Comedy Traffic School Laugh while you learn traffic safety in this traffic violator class. Two evening or a one day class: 11/12&13 Mon&Tue or 11/24 Sat 9am-5pm $40 Bldg C www.4trafficschoolbyimprov.com (800) 775-5233

Kaplan Classes Strategies for college admissions tests GMAT, GRE & LSAT. Tue 6:30-9:30 $1449-$1199/course. Bldg C www.kaptest .com (415) 905-9000

Presidio School Of Management see Environment classes

Testing For The Public Strategies for graduate, law & business school exams. GMAT Strategy Course 11/3-10 Sat 9am-5pm, Wed 6-10pm $500 Bldg B/C www.testing4.org (888) 383-7846

ENVIRONMENT

Environmental Traveling Companions Enjoy the wilderness while contributing to wilderness access for people w/disabilities & youth. Scholarships available. Bldg C www.etctrips.org (415) 474-7662

Presidio School Of Management Earn an MBA in Sustainable Management. The program integrates social & environmental values within every course. Accepting applications for Spring 2008. Classes 8am-6pm Thur-Sun Bldg C/Firehouse www.presidiomba.org (415) 561-6555

HEALTH & RECREATION

Aesclepion Healing Center Spiritual Healing Clinic — You don't have to be sick to try a healing. 11/23 Fri 7:30pm FREE Bldg C www.aesclepion.net (415) 453-6196

Ayurvedic Specialist Program California College of Ayurveda offers state-approved certification in this ancient healing method from India. Ongoing Tue Thur 9am-Noon, Sat& Sun 8am-6pm Level I-III $7200- $2500 Bldg C www.ayurvedacollege.com (866) 541-6699

● **Breema: The Art Of Being Present** Nurturing & enlivening, Breema emphasizes that we best support others by being truly present w/them. Utilize harmonizing principles & movements to support a new availability to oneself & to life. 10/27 Sat 10am-1pm $30 FMC "Friends" $5 off w/mbrs card, reg req Bldg C www.breema.com (510) 428-0937

BATS Improv see Performing Arts

Gentle Power Aerobics 50 yrs & older. Ongoing classes at FMC for 28 yrs. Low-impact, high-energy aerobics Mon, Wed&Fri 9:30-10:30am. Yoga & stretching Tue 9:30-10:45am $12/class Bldg C (415) 389-8249

Light Being & Angels Bldg C or Gatehouse www.lightbeingsandangels.com (415) 328-4192

Advanced Channeling W/The Angels Learn how to channel for intuitive & divine guidance through meditation & special exercises to develop your sensitivity & connection. 10/27-11/10 Sat 10am-Noon $200

Guided Meditation W/The Angels to relieve stress & bring your mind & spirit into alignment. 11/13&27 Tues 7:30-8:30pm $10/class

Joshua Consciousness Channeling explores a non-physical consciousness that speaks in a loving, non-judgmental, wise & sometimes humorous way. 11/20 Tues 7:30-9:30pm $40

Medium, Are You One? Learn & experience how to connect w/loved ones from "The Otherside." 11/11 Sun 10am-4pm $250 reg req Gatehouse www.lightresonance.com (415) 892-0669

Practical Use Of Asteroids & Chiron In Astrology Dale O'Brien presents on the relevance of asteroids to practiced astrology. 11/3 Sat 10:30am-5:30pm Bldg C www.geocosmic.org (415) 558-9614

Tian Gong Qi Gong Classes providing people w/the means to heal themselves, others & the world, Tian Gong offers practices that fuse the ancient Chinese practice of Qi Gong & Universal energy healing traditions. Sat&Sun 11/10&11 9:30am-5:30pm, 11/17&18 2-6:30pm $460-$230 Bldg C www.tiangong.org (415) 393-9933

MARTIAL ARTS

Bay Mountain Wing Tsun Kung Fu & Escrima Effective, natural, martial arts for inner growth, health & relaxation for men & women. Ongoing Tue & Thur 6-7:30pm, Sat 9-10:30am call for cost. Bldg C www.bmwingtsun.com (888) 429-9494

Cheuk Fung Yi Chuan Kung Fu Improve physical health & enhance mental faculties w/this down-to-earth style of martial arts. Ongoing Tue&Thur 8-9:30pm $80/mo Bldg C www.yichuankungfu.com (510) 352-1263

Cloud Hands West Tai Chi Improve your strength, flexibility, sense of balance & inner well-being. 11/3-24 Sat 8:30-10am $10/mo Bldg C (415) 499-1561

Jack Man/Jing Mo Assn Rick L. Wing of Jing Mo Athletic Assn. leads classes formerly taught by retired Grand Master Jack Man Wong. Ongoing Sun 10am-Noon, Wed 5:30-7:30pm $50/mo Bldg C www.jingmo.com (415) 661-8346

Jing Mo Athletic Assn Gung-fu hand forms & weapons, drums & lion dances taught in a fun environment. Children (ages 7 & up) & adults. Ongoing Fri 7-9:30pm $36-$26/mo Bldg C www.jingmo.com (415) 661-8346

Sayoc Kali Tuhon Ricardo Kayanan trains warriors in edged weapons survival skills. Ongoing Tue & Thur 7:30-9pm & Sun 11am-1pm, call for cost Bldg C www.sayoc.com (415) 939-4940

Shaolin Tai Chi Mantis Kung Fu Learn & practice Kung Fu sets & techniques. Ongoing Mon 8-10pm $40/mo Bldg C (415) 750-9201

Tai Chi Learn & practice Tai Chi w/certified instructor Zach Ma. Ongoing Bldg C (650) 755-2661

Morning Workout Improve health & balance, reduce stress. Tue&Thur 8:30-9:30am $50/mo

Tai Chi 108 Classic yang-style long form. Thur 9:45-10:15am $30/mo

MONEY MATTERS

Missed Fortune 101 lays out principles to free you from common money traps & empower your future. 11/1 Thur 7-9pm $99 (Free w/RSVP) Bldg A www.missedfortune101.com (415) 292-1999

PERFORMING ARTS

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BATS Improv Whether you're an actor who wants to enhance your performance skills or someone who just thinks improv looks like fun, BATS Improv has a class for you. Tue/Wed 7-10pm, Sat/Sun 2:30-5:30pm, $40/Specialty $249-$289/workshops, see 11/2 for performances. Bayfront Theater Bldg B www.improv.org (415) 474-6776

Blue Bear School Of Music Private & group instruction in rock, jazz, blues, reggae & other popular musical styles. Instrument & voice, all ages & levels, day & evening programs. Group courses include band playing workshops for adults & kids plus Little Bear classes for infants to five years. Mon-Fri days & evenings, Sat days, $35/mbrshp fee, lessons $52-$450 Bldg D www.bluebearmusic.org (415) 673-3600

Chinese Dance Academy see Children's classes

First Take Acting Classes Nancy Berwid's program provides a holistic approach to acting w/a method that students can use to hone their craft along w/a keen eye for logic & sensitivity to human behavior. 11/6-27 Tue 2-5pm or 7-10pm call for cost Bldg C&D www.firsttake.org (925) 824-1212

● **Improv Open Workshop** Explore spontaneity & creativity in a stimulating, fun & supportive environment w/games, stage skills, body awareness & laughter. No experience needed. 11/3-24 Sat 1-4pm $10/class FMC "Friends" $1 off w/mbrs card Bldg C (650) 225-9095

Meisner Technique Of Acting Trained by Sanford Meisner, Rachael Adler teaches the Meisner Technique. Utilizing exercises, scene & monologue work, the course focuses on the development & use of instincts & emotional impulses as the forces underlying truthful action. Ongoing Mon&Thur 4-6pm, 6:45-9:45pm $65/class Bldg C www.meisner-coach.com (415) 456-2725

Young Performers Theatre see Children's classes

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SELF-IMPROVEMENT

● **Dog Listener** Seminar w/ best-selling author Jan Fennell on how to improve your relationship w/man's best friend. 11/16&20 Fri 6-10pm, Tue 10am-2pm $25/class ($15 children) FMC "Friends" $1 off w/mbrs card Bldg A www.iessc.org (415) 861-3819

● **Living W/Balance** explores how to incorporate balance into your life so that you feel relaxed, peaceful & purposeful in the way you live. 11/8 Thur 6-8pm $35 FMC "Friends" 10% off w/mbrs card Bldg C www.unitycomplete wellness.com (415) 260-2554

Marriage Prep 101 Create a foundation for lifelong marriage in Drs. Michelle & Patrick Gannon's award-winning weekend workshop for seriously dating/pre-engaged, premarital & newly-wed couples. Learn communication, conflict resolution & intimacy enhancement skills. 11/9&10 Fri 7-10pm, Sat 9am-5pm $420/couple Bldg C www.marriageprep101.com (415) 905-8830

Public Speaking Workshop Techniques for natural, credible & effective delivery. 11/10 Sat 9am-4:30pm $125 Bldg C www.speaking-freely.com (415) 647-4700

VISUAL ARTS & MEDIA

● **California Lawyers For The Arts** Classes & legal services for artists & art groups. Wed 7-8:30pm $20 FMC "Friends" $1 off w/mbrs card Bldg C www.ca lawyersforthearts.org (415) 775-7200 x107

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CCSF Fort Mason Art Campus AM & PM classes (3 units college credit each) in ceramics, design, drawing, painting, prints & sculpture. See website for details. $20/unit Bldg B www.ccsf.edu (415) 561-1860

Friends Of Calligraphy promotes the study & practice of calligraphy to encourage individual excellence & foster a wider appreciation & deeper understanding of its history & applications. Design For Beginners class All levels welcome. 11/6-27 Tue 6:30–9pm Bldg C $140.00 www.friendsofcalligraphy.org (415) 921-1120

Designing For Fun & Profit Professional training in commercial surface pattern design, including fabrics for apparel & home furnishings, home décor, gifts & paper products. Sponsored by the Surface Design Assn. 9/19-12/19 Wed 7:15-9:45pm (No class 10/31 or 11/21) $570 www.imagewestdesign.com (415) 482-9856

Drawing On The Right Side Of The Brain www.drawright.com (212) 966-6823

5-day Workshop for those who enjoy drawing but wish to improve & progress to master drawing skills. All levels 11/10-14 Sat-Wed 9:30am-5:30pm $1400 incl. materials

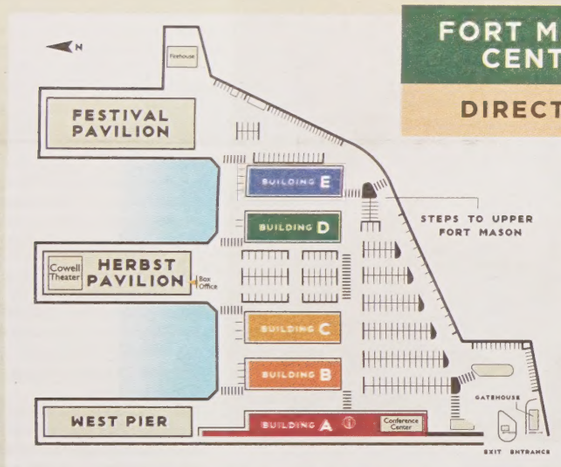
Advanced Drawing Class Gain greater confidence in your ability & deepen your artistic perception. 11/15&16 Thur&Fri 9:30am-5:30pm $700

SF Children's Art Center see Children's classes

Skywriter Series II: Recapitulation - Story Design II Analyze the concept of a "story" in greater depth, review story elements & move toward mastering them. Complete a 20-page short story. Learn how to write a professional outline for a longer body of work. 11/6-27 Tue 7-9pm $495 Bldg B skywriter.holly-payne.com (415) 205-8331

The Writers Studio Based on the 20-year-old NYC program. Each week students read excerpts from classic & contemporary literature & work on exercises to master literary techniques. Level I 11/5-26 Mon 6:30-8:30pm Level II 11/7-28 Wed 6:30-9pm $400 Bldg C www.writerstudio.com (415) 738-2452

Dog Listener Seminar see Self-Improvement



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FMC RESIDENTS

Fort Mason Center houses 30 resident nonprofit organizations. These groups can provide you with information on printmaking, broadcasting, river rafting, theater, dance, marine ecosystems, copyrights, and much more. Contact the offices to find out what services, speakers, classes, or trips these outstanding Bay Area groups have to offer.

BUILDING A

Fort Mason Foundation (415) 441-3400
Greens Restaurant (415) 771-6222
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Special Events (415) 771-7955
Long Now Foundation (415) 561-6582
SF Museum Of Modern Art Artists Gallery (415) 441-4777
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BUILDING B

BATS Improv/Bayfront Theater Office (415) 474-6776 Box Office (415) 474-8935
City College Of San Francisco Coffee Gallery (415) 561-1840 **Continuing Education** (415) 561-1860
Fort Mason Art Campus (415) 561-1840
Cooks & Company (415) 673-4137
Marine Exchange (415) 441-6600
Ploughshares Fund (415) 775-2244

BUILDING C

Animal Switchboard (415) 474-4021
Book Bay Bookstore (415) 771-1076
California Lawyers For The Arts: (415) 775-200 Arts Arbitration & Mediation Services (415) 775-7715
Chinese Cultural Productions/Lily Cai Chinese Dance Co. (415) 474-4829
Environmental Traveling Companions (415) 474-7662
Italian American Cultural Center (415) 673-2200
Museo ItaloAmericano (415) 673-2200
SF Children's Art Center (415) 771-0292
Tuolumne River Trust (415) 292-3531
Young Performers Theatre (415) 346-5550

BUILDING D

Blue Bear School Of Music (415) 673-3600
Friends Of The SF Public Library (415) 771-3777
Magic Theatre Office (415) 441-8001 Box office (415) 441-8822
Radio Bilingüe (415) 674-0925
Resource Renewal Institute (415) 928-3774
Green Century Project
Green Plan Center
Water Heritage Trust
World Arts West (415) 474-3914

BUILDING E

SF Maritime National Historical Park Headquarters (415) 561-7000
Collections Storage Facility (415) 561-7060
SF Documents Department (415) 561-7070
SF Maritime National Historical Park Library/J. Porter Shaw Library (415) 561-7030

PIERS

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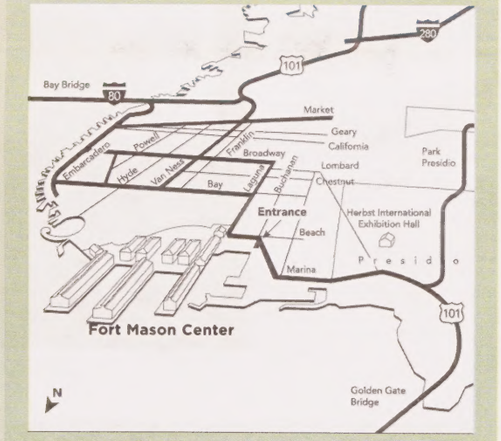
Cowell Theater, Herbst Pavilion (415) 441-3400
Fort Mason Box Office (415) 345-7575
Herbst Pavilion (415) 441-3400
EAST PIER
Festival Pavilion (415) 441-3400

LOCATION & PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION



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East Bay Bay Bridge to Fremont Street Exit; on Fremont (100 yards north) take first right on Howard; left on Embarcadero & go 2 miles; left on Bay & go 2 miles; right on Buchanan. Cross Marina Blvd. & sharp right into Fort Mason Center.

North Bay Golden Gate Bridge (US 101) to Marina Exit; Marina Blvd (1.5 miles) to Buchanan & turn left into Fort Mason Center.

Peninsula/South Bay US 101 North to 9th St. Exit; 9th across Market & left on Hayes; right on Franklin; left on Bay; right on Buchanan. Cross Marina Blvd. & sharp right into Fort Mason Center

HERBST INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION HALL Located in the Presidio, Moraga at Montgomery St. on the Main Post. Accessible through the following Presidio Gates: Marina (Marina Blvd. & Lyon St.); Lombard (Lombard & Lyon St.); Presidio Blvd. (Presidio & Pacific St.); or Arguello (Arguello Blvd. & Jackson St.). www.presidiotrust.gov/directions/transit.asp

TRANSPORTATION NUMBERS

Bay Area-Wide: www.511.org or call 817-1717 or 511 from any area code
East Bay BART: www.bart.gov (510) 465-2278
North Bay Golden Gate Transit: www.goldengate.org (415) 455-2000
Peninsula/South Bay CalTrain: www.caltrain.com (800) 660-4287
San Francisco MUNI: www.sfmuni.com (415) 673-6864
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Parking Rates First hour is Free, 1-1½ hours $1, 1½-2 hours $2, 2-2½ hours $4, 2-3 hours $6, More than 3 hours $8 per day. For more information about parking go to our website www.fortmason.org/aboutus/parking.shtml. Net proceeds from parking fees go toward the restoration and preservation of Fort Mason Center's historic landmark buildings — allowing the Center's unique programs to continue.

Jingle All The Way To Shopping

▶ CAMPUS-WIDE

The department stores have been decorated for months and you still haven't started your holiday shopping — don't panic. A visit to Fort Mason Center (FMC) just may solve all your shopping problems.

Start your shopping with luxury. **Hi Ho Silver San Francisco** sells its wares almost every weekend this month and into December. The high-quality sterling silver pieces from Taxco, Cuernavaca, and Oaxaca, Mexico are the perfect gift for all the "special someones" on your list. In addition to sterling silver jewelry and items, etchings by Nicolas de Jesus, hand-woven scarves and shawls from Cambodia, and "potato chip" bags in a variety of colors and sizes are on sale. See the November 2 calendar listing for details.

That same weekend, **Haute Home**, purveyors of delicately exquisite hand-embroidered linens, loungewear, and accessories, extends its Sacramento Street showroom to FMC. For one day only, hundreds of custom-designed luxury linens are available at 50–70 percent off the original prices. Sheets, bed skirts, duvet covers, pillowcases and shams, placemats, tablecloths and napkins, and many, many more items are available. For details see November 4 in the calendar.

The following weekend three veterans return to FMC. Former resident, the Museum of Craft & Folk Art, comes to the Conference Center for its annual fundraising **Art To Wear** sale. Local artists show scarves, jackets, dresses, hats, jewelry, accessories, and handcrafted perfumes in this one-day-only event. See November 10 for more information.

Texuba sells unique, one-of-a-kind kimono, textiles, and obi. Collectors, fashion designers, decorators, and others who just love the look and feel of vintage Japanese silk, flock to the annual FMC sales by this Los Angeles-based company. This may be the last opportunity to do so. According to Texuba's web site, the company is retiring at the end of 2007. So, don't delay — for a most unusual gift, come to FMC's Building D on November 10 and 11. See the calendar on November 10 for details.

The Festival Pavilion is the site of the **Serendipity Fine Arts & Crafts Fair** on November 10 and 11. Find special one-of-a-kind gifts and meet the artists who create them. Jewelry, paintings, sculpture, ceramics, photography, glass, leather, and more are available. See November 10 for details.

On Thursday, November 15, the **Golden Gate Mothers Group** holds its annual holiday boutique. Exquisite jewelry, handmade stationery, gourmet treats, baby and toddler items, and more are available from this San Francisco support group for expectant mothers and mothers of children younger than kindergarten age. See November 15 in the calendar for details.

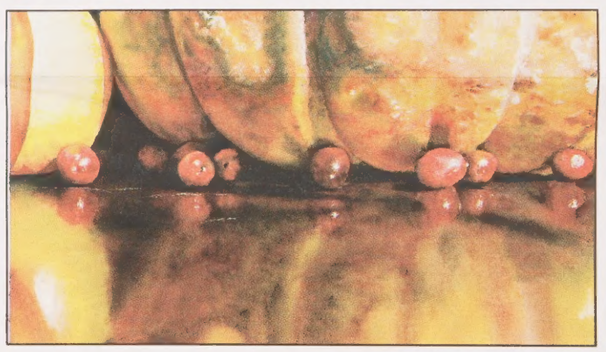
November 17 sees the return of the **Fabulous Fashionista Sample Sale** to Building D. Last here in August of this year, this company has a large assortment of designer samples, and features BCBG, Ella Moss, and Splendid. Fabulous dresses, cashmere, tops, handbags and more are available at 50–70 percent off retail. See November 17 in the calendar for details.

Prepare to be dazzled at the **Christmas In San Francisco Crystal Fair** on November 24 and 25. Crystals, beads, jewelry, Hindu and Buddhist deities, and metaphysical and decorative items are available from more than 40 vendors. And if all that holiday shopping has taken its toll, you can even get a relaxing massage or have your aura read. See November 24 in the calendar for details.

Opening night of City College of San Francisco's **Holiday Student Art Exhibit & Sale** is the last evening of the month. Savvy shoppers know that some of the best art bargains in town can be had at this annual event that features ceramics, drawings, jewelry, paintings, photographs, prints, sculpture, and textiles. See November 30 for details.

Finally, if you still haven't found all your gifts at these wonderful events, don't forget the **Celebration Of Craftswomen** on November 24 and 25 and December 1 and 2 (see the article on page one). FMC residents **Book Bay Bookstore** — with an eclectic collection of books, CDs, DVDs, and videos — and the **Museo ItaloAmericano** — selling all things Italian — are also good sources for that unique holiday gift. Or check out the shop at the **Long Now Foundation** for the long-term thinkers in your family. See the Ongoing Programs section for information on these organizations.

And since you'll need a place to put all these gifts, the Guardsmen's annual **Christmas Tree Lot** opens in the Festival Pavilion at the end of the month, with all proceeds going to programs for at-risk youth. See November 27 for details. — *JR*



Serendipity Fine Arts & Crafts Fair
see 11/10 "Small New Pumpkins & Cranberries" watercolor ARTIST: MARTHA E. STEWART

Art To Wear Ribbons top & skirt
ARTIST: MARIANE CLAYDEN

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The Museo ItaloAmericano — One Of A Kind In The US

When Giuliana Nardelli Haight founded the Museo Italo-Americano in San Francisco's North Beach neighborhood almost thirty years ago, it was the only art museum in the country dedicated to the works of Italian and Italian American artists. Technically it still is. A tiny Italian American Museum exists in New York City, but it is located in a temporary site in an office building. There are plans to move the museum to a permanent site in Little Italy, and the museum's curator traveled to San Francisco to seek the advice of the Museo ItaloAmericano's Managing Director, Paola Bagnatori.

"She came to pick my brain," Bagnatori said with a laugh.

Paola Bagnatori has been a part of the Museo ItaloAmericano almost since its beginning. She first became involved when she was invited to be a participant in a conference on Italian American women in the professions. She was a professor of Italian at San Francisco State University at the time. It was 1979, not quite a year after Nardelli Haight had established the museum in a walk-up mezzanine above North Beach's Café Malvina.

"Giuliana was very focused on art. She was very knowledgeable. She showed famous artists in the early stages of their careers," Bagnatori said and continued in her praise for the Museo's founder, "She really had an eye for what was important. But we soon realized that unless you have a big endowment, you have to have other activities — you have to have a membership."

Meanwhile the Museo had moved from the tiny space above Malvina's to larger quarters on the third floor of the Fugazi Building. And it was in that period that another important figure entered into Museo history — the late restaurateur and art collector Modesto Lanzone.

"I brought Modesto in because I'd known him a long, long time. And I always thought he was very interested in modern art and he had an incredible collection...so I told him about it (the Museo). He was a very generous man."

According to an unpublished memoir of Lanzone by former Museo Executive Director Robert Whyte, Lanzone not only donated important works by Italian and Italian American artists, he also arranged for many artists to donate works

Paola Bagnatori Managing Director
PHOTO: BRADFORD GREGORY

to the Museo. One of those pieces is the jewel of the Museo's permanent collection — *Tavola della Memoria II*, Arnaldo Pomodoro's magnificent bronze relief which is on permanent display in the Museo's galleries.

Lanzone was also involved in another important milestone in the Museo's history. Again according to Whyte, Lanzone inspired the Museo Board to make the move to Fort Mason Center (FMC) in 1985.

Asked how she felt about FMC more than twenty years later, Bagnatori answered, "I love Fort Mason — I think there is no more beautiful place." And, because of the increase in foot traffic, she is very happy that the Friends of the San Francisco Public Library's Book Bay Bookstore has moved across the hall in Building C. "The coming of Book Bay was a godsend," she said.

Asked how she sees the role of the Museo nearly thirty years after its founding, she said that its mission remains the same: "to present and preserve the best of what Italians and Italian Americans are, whether through art, language classes, lectures, etc." She also expressed her anger at the negative stereotypes of Italian Americans in popular culture and said one of her personal goals was to counteract those images. "I am so sick of the stereotypes!"

Bagnatori also pointed out that although there are many Italian and Italian American organizations in the Bay Area, the Museo is the only one with a permanent location that is open all year round.

Planting The Roots Reaping The Harvest 2006 exhibit PHOTO: JANICE TONG

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MUSEO ITALOAMERICANO

DESCRIPTION

The Museo ItaloAmericano is the only museum in the United States devoted exclusively to Italian and Italian American art and culture. Established in 1978, the Museo ItaloAmericano is a non-profit institution governed by a Board of Directors.

The mission of the Museo Italo-Americano is twofold: to research, collect, and display works of Italian and Italian American artists, and to promote educational programs for the appreciation of Italian art and culture, thereby preserving the heritage of Italian Americans for future generations.

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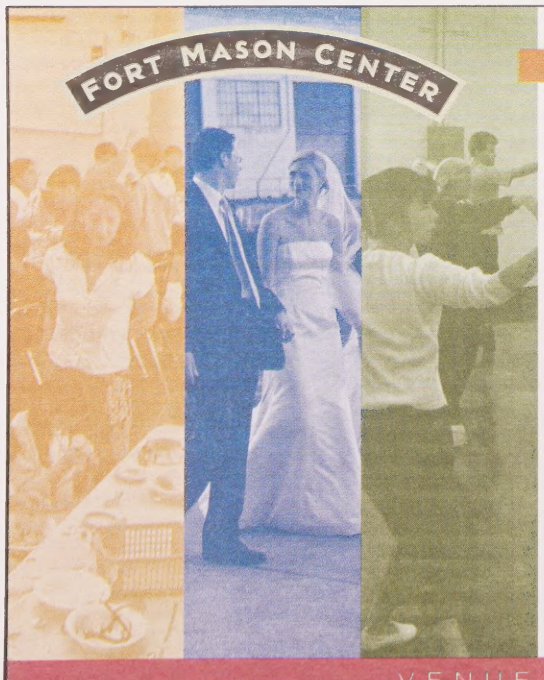
Consequently, another role of the Museo is to provide a venue for those organizations, and to that end, the Museo has collaborated with other organizations on programs and exhibits.

Besides the exhibits, classes, and lectures that the Museo produces, there are also other programs that the Museo sponsors. CIAO (Children's Italian Art Outreach) provides free instruction in Italian art and history to more than 2,400 Bay Area school children annually.

EVVIVA is another group that is close to Bagnatori's heart. It is the "young professionals" group and some of the current "younger" board members have been recruited from its ranks. "It we don't get the young people involved, when we old people die, then the Museo is in danger of disappearing." Amusingly, though, Bagnatori's definition of "young" is very broad, as she admits that anyone younger than social security age is welcome to join EVVIVA. "Don't forget," she said with a laugh, "everyone is saying that 60 is the new 40!" — *JR*



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